

Resume of BARBARA A. BLANCO

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Education

Juris Doctor Degree, University of California at Los Angeles, School of Law, June, 1976

Admitted to the California State Bar, Dec., 1976

B.A., University of California at Los Angeles, June, 1971

Employment and Experience:

July, 1989 to Present: Faculty Clinical Director and Clinical Professor of Law, Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA. My current position is neither tenure track nor tenured. I am a long-term contract employee. Loyola Law School does not provide tenure to clinical faculty.

Courses Taught:

Animal Law

Ethics, Counseling and Negotiation

Ethical Lawyering

Legal Problems of the Poor

Trial Advocacy

Summer Institute

Legal Method

Concurrent course for high credit judicial externs

Administrative Duties:

Supervising and directing the off-campus Externship Program involving approximately 220 students each academic year and summer session. Duties include awareness of and compliance with American Bar Association Field Placement Standards, as well as direct supervision of off-campus student placements, frequent communication and site visit contact with field placement supervisors, statistical reporting, enforcement of program guidelines, responsibility for all program literature and supervision of an administrative assistant and various work-study students. My duties include serving as the liaison with seven on campus clinical directors to assist them with program implementation, administration and Standard 305 compliance.

Faculty Duties:

Faculty duties include regular teaching assignments, and participation on faculty committees that vary from time to time, but most frequently include participation on the Externship Committee, the Public Interest Committee, the Academic Support Committee, the Career Services Committee and the Curriculum Committee. I am currently the faculty chair of the Clinics, Externships and Public Interest Committee, and am co-chair of the Professional Skills Committee.

Aug. 1991 to 1993: Commissioner, City of Los Angeles, Affordable Housing Commission

January, 1985 to July, 1989: Managing Attorney, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles. Duties included an array of administrative and litigation tasks. Litigation skills included handling complex civil litigation specializing in housing code enforcement and landlord-tenant law, including extensive trial experience, both jury and non-jury. Duties further included establishing and implementing the Legal Aid Foundation Maynard Toll Family Courthouse Counseling Clinic in the Los Angeles Superior Court, Central District.

Published litigation opinions:

Arrieta v. Mahon, 31 Cal.3d 381 (1982)

Hernandez v. Stabach, 145 Cal.App.3d 309 (1983)

January, 1982 to December, 1984: Partner in the private law partnership of Blanco & Blasi. The partnership established a non-profit law office known as the Tenant Defense Center, a high volume litigation center to assist low income tenants in Los Angeles County threatened with eviction. The office is now operated by the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles as the Eviction Defense Center. Duties as the managing partner included all duties routinely associated with managing a law firm, including business, personnel, and payroll matters.

December, 1978 to December, 1981: Staff Attorney, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles, handling a wide range of civil matters on behalf of low-income clients. Nature of the caseload required familiarity with federal courts, administrative forums, and municipal and superior court forums.

December, 1976 to December, 1978: Associate lawyer with the Los Angeles law firm Margolis, McTernan, Scope, Sacks and Epstein. Handled general range of civil cases, including personal injury litigation, maritime litigation, litigation under California environmental quality laws and litigation under California substandard housing code enforcement laws.

June, 1971 to June, 1973: Teacher, Los Angeles Unified School District Children's Centers teaching elementary school age children.

Major Publications:

Co-author: *Externship Field Supervision: Effective Techniques for Training Supervisors and Students*, Barbara A. Blanco and Sande L. Buhai, *Clinical Law Review*, Volume 10 Number 2, 2004.

Co-author: *Judicial Externs: Judicial Outreach to the Future*, Judge Richard Fruin (Judge of the Superior Court, State of California) and Barbara A. Blanco, published in the *ABA Judges' Journal* in May, 2005.

"Tort Liability of Intrauterine Device Manufacturers", *Women's Law Journal*, (1977)

Co-author: *GLACE Field Placement Supervision Manual*, a cooperative effort of externship program directors and Deans from Loyola, USC Law School, UCLA Law School, Pepperdine School of Law, Southwestern University School of Law and Whittier Law School (GLACE, the Greater Los Angeles Consortium on Externships), www.lls.edu/glance/manual.pdf

Founding author, GLACE (Greater Los Angeles Consortium on Externships) website for all GLACE member schools and supervising attorneys in our off-campus placement programs, www.lls.edu/glance.

Draft article, submitted at the March, 2006, Externships 3 national conference and to be submitted to the *Clinical Law Review* in 2007: *Accreditation Inspections for Clinical and Externship Directors: Survive or Thrive?*

Publications further include a wide variety of "self-help" materials for low income persons seeking *in propria persona* legal assistance, such as "*Your Rights in Bankruptcy*", "*How to Defend Yourself in an Eviction Case*", "*How to Get Filing Fees Waived*", "*How to Respond to Discovery*" and "*How to Prepare a Simple Answer to a Complaint.*"

Major Appointments:

Commissioner, City of Los Angeles Affordable Housing Commission. Appointed by Mayor Thomas Bradley, 7/92 through 1993

Faculty member, Dean's Special Task Force to Revitalize Los Angeles. Appointed by Dean Gerald McLaughlin, 1992-1995

Major Speaking Engagements:

Lecturer, California Continuing Education of the Bar, Landlord-Tenant Law, June, 1985 and October, 1987.

Lecturer, The Rutter Group, Landlord-Tenant Law, 1988

Speaker, Los Angeles County Bar Association "Bridging the Gap" programs, 1980-1990
Speaker, Free Clinic of Simi Valley, "Post Earthquake Boundary and Wall Disputes,"
February through April, 1994

Panel Presentation, "Externships 2: Learning from Practice: Developments in Externship Pedagogy", March 5-8, 1998, The CUA Columbus School of Law, Washington, D.C.

GLACE Supervision Forum. Introductory speaker at a forum at Loyola Law School addressing approximately 100 supervising attorneys who participate in the off campus externship programs of GLACE schools, June, 1999. GLACE faculty are reprising the Supervision Forum on June 9, 2005.

Panel Presentation, "Learning from Practice: Developments in Externship Pedagogy", March 8, 2003, CUA Columbus School of Law, D.C.

Panel Presentations at Externships 3: Learning from Practice at Loyola Law School in March 2006: *What Students Don't Know Will Hurt Them: A Frank View From The Field On How We Should Prepare Our Externship Students* (with Carolyn Young, Chapman University School of Law), and *Successfully Surviving an ABA Accreditation Inspection: Suggestions and Timelines* (with Professor Arnold Siegel, Loyola Law School).

Panel Speaker, "The Pedagogy of Interviewing and Counseling: Models, Techniques and Technology", October 27, 2006, UCLA School of Law and Brigham Young University Law School at UCLA.

Panel Speaker, Protection and Advocacy, Inc., Sacramento Regional Office Advocacy Training, November 4, 2006, *Providing Information to Non-Clients: Drawing The Line Between General Information and Legal Advice.*

Panel Speaker, Externships 5 National Conference, Miami, 2010: *Preparing for an ABA Accreditation Inspection*

Presentation, Fourth Regional Externship Supervision Forum, May 19, 2011, University of Southern California Gould School of Law: *What We Teach Them and What We Miss*

Panel Speaker, Externships 6 National Conference, Boston, March 2012: *Ethics and Professionalism: A Guide to Success in the Profession* and *ABA Accreditation Inspections: Survive and Thrive*

Major Pro Bono Activities:

Volunteer Attorney, Free Clinic of Simi Valley, 1992 through the present. Duties include client counseling on various civil matters, preparation of simple legal forms and preparation of client education and pro per materials in the area of bankruptcy, eviction defense, civil lawsuits and consumer affairs.

Volunteer Attorney, Santa Barbara Handicapped Riding Association. Assisted the Academy in 1993 in gaining re-accreditation with a national oversight agency.

Volunteer Attorney, Horse Rescue, Inc. Assisted the organization to incorporate as a charitable non profit agency in August, 2000. Continue with legal oversight matters.

Major Professional Accomplishments:

Founding member of **GLACE**, the Greater Los Angeles Consortium on Externships. Founded in 1993, the consortium, consisting of the externship directors at Loyola Law School, UCLA School of Law, the USC Law Center, Pepperdine University School of Law, Whittier Law School and Southwestern University School of Law, adopted uniform standards for field supervisors and supervisors in judicial chambers to assist them in effectively supervising GLACE off-campus externs. GLACE inspired the formation of BACE, the Bay Area Consortium on Externships.

Conference Coordinator: Externships 3: Learning from Practice, hosted by GLACE faculty in Los Angeles in March, 2006. A national conference in association with CUA Columbus School of Law.

Conference Coordinator, Externships 4: A national conference of externship directors at the University of Seattle. Conference presentation: Surviving and preparing for ABA Accreditation Inspections.

Professional Associations:

California State Bar, 1976 to present. Membership includes serving on various sections of the association, such as the Legal Services for the Poor section.

American Bar Association, Clinical Education Section

Mexican American Bar Association

Los Angeles County Bar Association

Federal District Court Ninth Circuit Bar

Community Associations:

St. Barnabas Senior Center, Counsel to the Board and Board Member, 1986-1994

Judge Pro Tem, Los Angeles Municipal Court, 1986-1992

Board President, Los Angeles Housing Law Center, 2004 to present